SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please change the title of the invention to read:

~~CLAMPED VALUE BEADS~~ METHODS TO DETERMINE NUMBERS OF PARTICLES IN MULTIPLEXED ASSAYS

Please replace paragraph 18, on page 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0018] Thus, any convenient **[[~~label~~]]** binding reagent may be used, depending on the partner to which the label is intended to be bound. Convenient **[[~~labels~~]]** reagents include antibodies or fragments thereof, including recombinantly produced antibodies such as F_v antibodies, fragments such as F_{ab} fragments, and the like. Ligands for particular receptors may be particularly useful. Peptides and peptidomimetics, aptamers, oligonucleotides designed to hybridize or bind through triplex formation, or any moiety which is the counterpart of a specific binding partner to be detected may be used as a **[[~~label~~]]** reagent.